

Free Motion Embroidery
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- Sewing machine, with zigzag stitch and capable of lowering the feed dogs. Make sure it is cleaned and tuned up before class.
- Sewing machine instruction manual
- A platform or table extender to increase the flat working surface area around the feed dogs and needle
- Darning foot for your machine, throat plate with wide hole
- Optional, extra bobbin case
- Extension cord, scissors, pins
- Sewing machine needles, universal size 10 or 11, Schmetz size 12, 14, and 16 topstitch needle, or brand recommended by manufacturer.
- Small bottle of silicone: Sewer's aid is one, optional
- Thread: bring regular sewing thread as well as at least one spool each of:
 - Solid color rayon
 - Variegated rayon
 - 30 wt. rayon or polyester
 - Metallic thread for experimentation. The color should go with the fabrics for leaves.
 - One spool of monofilament thread, clear or smoke as well as bobbin thread such as The Bottom Line by Superior Thread CO.
- Extra bobbins
- Pencil, paper cutting scissors, fabric scissors
- 12 inch square or larger of muslin or solid color fabric to practice on in class
- Scraps of prints and solids to contrast background, for appliquéd and embroidered leaves. The colors need not be realistic.
- Paper backed fusible webbing, about 1 yard. Wonder-under or Steam a Seam preferred
- Half yard of "Tear Away" stabilizer
- Bring a leaf or two from your favorite tree or plant to use as a pattern
- Machine embroidery hoop, 7 inch size
- Iron and padded surface, optional
- Optional, SewSlip or Free-motion Slider (new cling type: no tape)
- 8 x 11 piece of fabric for background, 3 inch strips of contrast fabric for a border
- The instructor will have thread and top stitch needles available for purchase